

NS-US055263

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : **Attn: Mail Stop Amendment**
Masanari KOBAYASHI et al. : Patent Art Unit: 3618
Serial No. 10/565,394 : Examiner Hau Van Phan
Filed: January 23, 2006 : **Confirmation No. 2050**
For: ENGINE EXHAUST SYSTEM FOR :
A VEHICLE :

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS				SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		ADDIT. RATE	FEE	ADDIT. RATE	FEE
TOTAL 13	- 22 =	0		x 26 = \$		x 52 = \$	
INDEP 3	- 4 =	0		x 110 = \$		x 220 = \$	
[] 1ST PRESENTATION OF MULT. DEP. CLAIM				+ 195 = \$		+ 390 = \$	
				TOTAL \$		TOTAL \$	

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1836.

☒ Any additional excess claim fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Dated: February 18, 2009

/David L. Tarnoff/

David L. Tarnoff

Reg. No. 32,383

GLOBAL IP COUNSELORS, LLP
1233 Twentieth Street, NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 293-0444

NS-US055263

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Attn: Mail Stop Amendment
Masanari KOBAYASHI et al.	:	Patent Art Unit: 3618
Serial No. 10/565,394	:	Examiner Hau Van Phan
Filed: January 23, 2006	:	Confirmation No. 2050
For: ENGINE EXHAUST SYSTEM FOR A VEHICLE	:	

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the November 21, 2008 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 2, 3, 6-8, 10-12, 14-16, 21 and 22 are pending, with claims 2, 10 and 14 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.